

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT			1. CONTRACT ID CODE		PAGE OF PAGES 1 3				
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. 0001		3. EFFECTIVE DATE 10/25/2002		4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO.		5. PROJECT NO. (If applicable) S			
6. ISSUED BY U.S. DOT/RSPA/Volpe Center 55 Broadway Cambridge MA 02142		CODE DTS-852		7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than Item 6) U.S. DOT/RSPA/Volpe Center 55 Broadway Cambridge MA 02142		CODE DTS-852			
8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, country, State and ZIP Code)				(X)			9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO.		
				X			DTRS57-02-R-20020		
							9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 10/02/2002		
							10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.		
							10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)		
CODE		FACILITY CODE							
11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATIONS									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and the date specified for receipt of Offers <input type="checkbox"/> is extended, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing items 8 and 15, and returning <u>1</u> copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment number. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.									
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)									
13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.									
(X)		A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.							
		B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103 (b).							
		C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF :							
		D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)							
E. IMPORTANT : Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.									
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.) SEE CONTINUATION PAGES FOR RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS SUBMITTED BY POTENTIAL OFFERORS									
15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)				16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)					
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR (Signature of the person authorized to sign)		15C. DATE SIGNED		16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY (Signature of the person authorized to sign)		16C. DATE SIGNED			

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

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The purpose of this Amendment No.0001 to the subject solicitation is to provide responses to questions submitted by potential Offerors.

Question

Is this anticipated to be a three or four year contract? Under F.2A on Page 9 it is stated “three (3) years”. However, elsewhere in the solicitation it states “four (4) years.

Response

The Period of Performance for the contract will be three (3) years from date of award.

Question

Under L.7.5 Section III, Subcontract Awards provide Government goals in percentages for this procurement. Are these percentages Subcontracting Plan goals or prime contract goals? Meaning, is 40 percent of our subcontracted effort supposed to go to small and disadvantaged businesses, or is 40 percent of the total funding supposed to go to these types of businesses.

Response

The percentages are subcontracting plan goals. Offeror’s are to follow the table in the RFP when preparing their subcontracting plan.

Question

Will the selected Prime Contractor have the right to refuse task orders? There may be a business reason or conflict of interest situation that may deter the Prime from performing.

Response

No, the Prime Contractor will not have the right to refuse task orders because of a business reason

If a potential Offeror anticipates a Conflict of Interest (COI) prior to contract award, that Offeror shall identify or describe the COI (including the extent of the COI) and submit such identification or description with its proposal to the RFP. The offeror’s attention is directed to FAR Part 9.1 (Contractor Responsibility) and 9.5 (Conflict of Interests).

Question

Is the proposal due date of 11/05/2002 flexible.

Response

No. An extension of the due date for proposals is not anticipated at this time.

Question

Paragraph L.6 – Past Performance – Paragraph B, List of all contacts and subcontracts ongoing or completed during the past three years. If the Offeror is primarily a manufacturer as opposed to primarily a service contractor, such a list could include several thousand small contracts for spare parts. This Offeror does not believe that such contracts are relevant to the evaluation of past performance. Can the Offeror limit the list to contracts greater than \$500,000 plus relevant contracts less than \$500,000?

Response

Yes.

Question

L.6 – II Business Management Proposal, Project Manager – This paragraph describes the Project Manager requirements to have a PhD. Whereas, Attachment J.1 which describes labor category qualifications and equivalents seems to allow an MS Degree for Project Manager. Which requirement governs?

Response

The referenced Table sets forth the equivalency requirements for the Labor Categories. Thus, an individual with an MS degree and 10 years of directly related experience may be substituted for a Ph.D.

Question

Section H.8.E – This requires the contractor to include the substance of this clause in all subcontracts under this contract. Based on the FAR 3.502-1 definition of a subcontract, this would include purchases of supplies, materials, and commercial equipment leases. The addition of this requirement in such subcontracts could eliminate many suppliers who would find such a requirement burdensome. This could also increase the cost for such incidental supplies/material purchases. Is it the Contracting Officer's intent that the substance of the H.8 clause be included in purchase contracts for incidental supplies and materials?

Response

Inclusion of the clause would not be applicable in purchase contracts for **incidental supplies and materials**. The Contracting Officer will consider on a case-by-case exceptions from this requirement as set forth in Section H.8.E(1), (2), and (3)